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**Subject:** RE: Polymet conf call

Thanks for the update, Krista!

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 17, 2018 10:06 AM  
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I spoke with Jeff Udd this morning. He asked to cancel our call scheduled for Monday. Jeff said they have nothing new to discuss. They have no questions about our comments, they are working on responding to the four contested case hearing requests and responding to comments. I told him about our recent interactions at the RA and DD level with representatives of polymet. I gave him my perspective that the attitude they have demonstrated in the last year has been substantially different from the past. They seem less interested in working through issues and are taking more hard line positions. I told Jeff that it did not seem to me that we can rely on them to "do the right thing" if the permit requirements are not explicit. I contrasted this attitude to that of the eagle mine representatives. Jeff said he appreciated that perspective. He said he will probably ask for our next call to be in early June and that he expects some decision on the contested case requests in late May. I again offered to provide assistance to them if they needed.